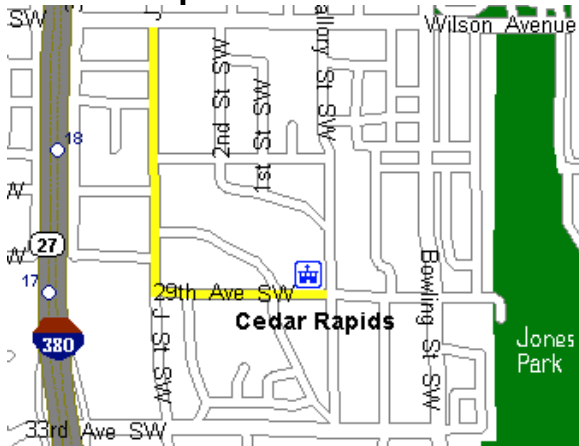




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Hus Happenings

Hus Presbyterian Church presents...

Hus Racing League



***Do you want to be a race
car driver???***

Now's your chance!! Join the Hus Racing League (HRL)

The Next Race is June 10th.

This die-cast racing event is a fun, exciting, and intense family event that all will enjoy! Races start at 10 a.m., participants should arrive early to prepare. Races are held every second Saturday through November 2006.

So come, enjoy the excitement, enjoy the rush and just **HAVE FUN!**



June 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Prayer Warriors - 12:30 PM High School Bible Study at Panara Bread - 4 PM	2	3
4 Worship Service - 9:30 AM Sunday School - 11 AM  PENTECOST Global Day of Prayer at Veteran's Memorial Stadium - 2 PM Game 5:22 PM Service	5 Youth Ministry Prayer - 7 PM	6 Quilters- 8:30 AM Bible Study- 1:30 PM South West Area Neighborhood Meeting At Wilson School- 6:30 PM	7 Youth Group - 5:45 PM Confirmation - 6:45 PM Worship Team- 7 PM	8 High School Bible Study at Java Creek - 11 AM Prayer Warriors - 12:30 PM	9 High School Bible Study at Perkins - 11 AM	10 Hus Racing League- 9:30 AM register 10 AM races begin
11 Trinity Sunday- Worship Service - 9:30 AM  Confirmation	12 Youth Ministry Prayer - 7 PM	13 Quilters- 8:30 AM Bible Study- 1:30 PM Session - 7 PM	14 Youth Group Movie Night - 5:15 PM Worship Team- 7 PM	15 High School Bible Study at Java Creek - 11 AM Prayer Warriors - 12:30 PM 217 th General Assembly convenes in Birmingham, AL.	16 High School Bible Study at Perkins - 11 AM	17
18 Worship Service - 9:30 AM  FATHER'S DAY June 18th	19 Youth Ministry Prayer - 7 PM Pastor Will starts his leave through Sept 12 th .	20 Men's Breakfast- 7:30 AM Quilters- 8:30 AM Bible Study- 1:30 PM	21 No Youth Group Worship Team- 7 PM	22 High School Bible Study at Java Creek - 11 AM Lunch Bunch- 11:30 AM 217 th General Assembly adjourns in Birmingham, AL.	23 High School Bible Study at Perkins - 11 AM	24 WOW at Raising Praise in the Park (Marion Square Park). Begins at Noon. Warren Barfield at 7 PM. WOW at Mission of Hope - 6:30 PM
25 Worship Service - 9:30 AM VBS at Asbury UMC - 6 to 8 PM	26 Youth Ministry Prayer - 7 PM VBS at Asbury UMC - 6 to 8 PM	27 Quilters- 8:30 AM Bible Study- 1:30 PM VBS at Asbury UMC - 6 to 8 PM	28 Youth Group - 5:45 PM Worship Team- 7 PM VBS at Asbury UMC - 6 to 8 PM	29 High School Bible Study at Java Creek - 11 AM Prayer Warriors - 12:30 PM VBS at Asbury UMC - 6 to 8 PM	30 High School Bible Study at Perkins - 11 AM	



Mind-set, Money, Mission, and Meandering Ministers

One of the greatest evidences of a positive attitude in any congregation is an increase in financial giving. While many things are involved in the development of a church that trusts God and seeks to be faithful in serving God and others, money is certainly a critical item that affects the success of the other “many things.” There is an old saying from the former United Presbyterian denomination, “Money is the milk of mission,” which is to say it isn’t everything needed, but nothing else happens without it.

With this in mind, I would like to commend our congregation of Hus Presbyterian Church for a wonderful increase in personal giving over this same time last year. Even with fewer people (since sadly some among our members last year chose not to support the congregation’s steps toward becoming a risk-taking, mission-motivated church), offerings are up considerably. Thank you! Thank you!

This as much as anything shows the generous and faithful heart of this church. Indeed, this “heart lifted up to the Lord” is evident in the atmosphere of our worship, our classes, our music, our youth, our outreach, and most every person involved (yes, there are a few still missing this gift of God’s Spirit, but for them we must continue to pray). We are a church that can truly say with the Psalmist, “I was glad when they said to me, ‘Let us go up to the House of the Lord.’” This spirit of joy and hope now characterizes what our guests sense when they visit, and this is God’s amazing work at Hus Church.

I, along with the session, want to encourage you to keep up the increased giving. As we have mentioned since the beginning of this year, our expenses this year can only be met by God performing a miracle and our giving continuing at the level it was last year **WITH THE HEALTH AND HOPE CAMPAIGN AMOUNT INCLUDED**. God has been faithful by providing the miracle of a couple of incredible bequests. *But these bequests will only be sufficient as long as we maintain 2005’s increased amount that included the Health and Hope Campaign.*

On another subject, this summer will be a little different at Hus Church. I will be taking my vacation, accumulated study leave, and two weeks paternity leave (ala adopting Joshua) all together. This will entail me being on leave beginning June 19th and returning to active service September 12th, approximately three months. A summer pastoral team is in place, along with back up from area clergy.

As many of you know, my service as your pastor over the last four years has not been without its challenges. God does not choose easy paths for those who lead the people of God. And is natural that God’s people sometimes question the leadership of those who would lead them into such difficult paths. This is all to say that the session and I have agreed that an extended leave time for me to be away from the responsibilities of ministry at Hus Church would be good for congregation and myself.

This will be a time of prayer, renewal, and direction for me personally and professionally. Besides working on my house a lot, I’ll be visiting missions in Croatia, wandering the Grand Canyon, attending a workshop on *Natural Church Development*, and getting Jennifer to college in California. I also invite the congregation to make this summer such a time as well, a time to be immersed in prayer before God, receiving renewal in spirit, and seeking direction from the Spirit.

One of the difficult things for both the church and me will be a fairly stringent practice of my not responding to pastoral needs that may arise during this short time. Of course, I hope such needs will not even arise during the summer, but if they do, we have a summer pastoral team who will be responding. If an ordained minister of Word and Sacrament is needed, several names will be available through the church office and the summer pastoral team. You will see me out and around during the summer, but not in a pastoral context.

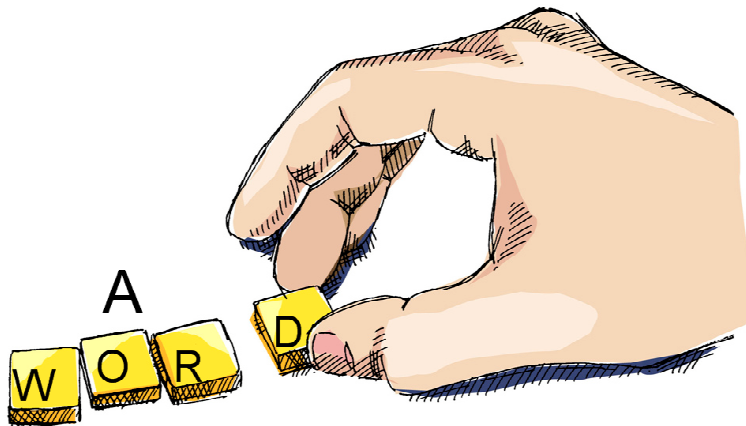
The summer pastoral team will also be overseeing all worship and ministry plans and activities. I personally believe it will be a good time as you all see more clearly what I see as your pastor: a very gifted and talented congregation that is richly blessed with people who can do much more than they presently imagine. As you all experience how blessed this congregation is, I hope this will make everyone even more excited about the future of this congregation. Probably by the time I return as your active pastor, you will be wondering why you need a professional pastor. (Hmmm! Maybe I should reconsider taking this leave? Naahhh!)

Well, this month's Pastor Column should be a little more fruitful than usual in growing some interesting personal conversations amongst you all. Just be sure to check with those on the summer pastoral team when you get some tidbit of information that wasn't from me or the session. Grapevine information sometimes can consist of more leaves than fruit, and the session and the summer pastoral team can help you know which is which.

I'll be seeing you around!

In Christ's Peace,

Will



from the
Pastor



Happy Birthday!

2	Lisa McAtee
3	Jennifer McGivern
	Emmy Turkington
4	Jack Funcke
	Christine Hartman
	Max Trotman
7	Helen Faltis
	Lydia Raim
8	Colin Zahradnik
11	Wyatt Ransom
16	Ellen Skripsky
18	Tina Currie
	Blaine Schulz
	Anita Koopman
19	Kurtis Grimm
21	Michele Raim
26	Heather Williamson
30	Tom Currie



FOR ALL WHO ARE
LED BY THE SPIRIT OF
GOD ARE CHILDREN
OF GOD.

ROMANS 8:14, NRSV



Anniversaries *this* Month

2	M/M Ron Cisler	2002
6	M/M Craig Wenger	1992
	M/M Donald Hamous	1953
12	M/ M Richard Ransom	1966
15	M/ M Phil Nejd	1996
17	M/M Richard Bartunek	1967
	M/M Doug MacDougall	1989
22	M/M David McDill	1996
23	M/M Mitchell Trotman	2001
27	M/M Bryan Balog	1970
	M/M John Greer	1959



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Transportation for June,
please, contact Jean White
at 365-2281 before Sunday morning.

What Makes a Dad

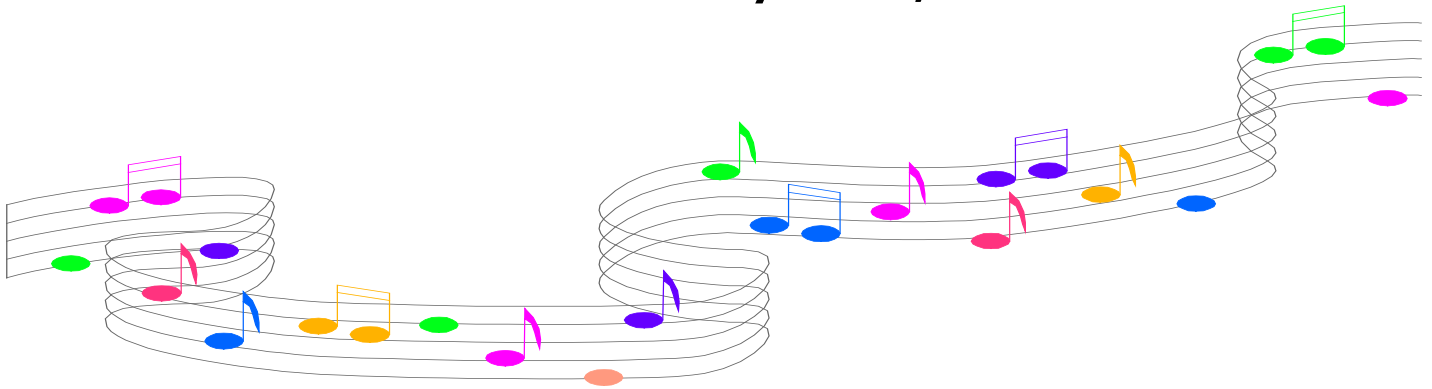
God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities,
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew His masterpiece was complete,
And so,

He called it ... Dad

~~Author Unknown.~~



Shoebox kick off
July 30, 2006



WOW at Mission of Hope

Saturday, June 24th
6:30 PM

Please come and join us for
this joyous service.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!



JENNIFER JACKSON



Jennifer Jackson, 17, daughter of Will and Jacquelyn Jackson, graduated May 25th from Kennedy High School. She participated in theater arts, the Diversity Club, and was a member of the Young Republicans. Besides graduating with honors, she received the President's Award for Educational Excellence, and was cited as an outstanding scholar in science, world languages, and social studies.

Jennifer will be attending Biola University in La Mirada, CA beginning August 18, 2006.

Her graduation reception will be 2 – 6 PM, Sunday, June 11th.



Remember
your creator
in the days of
your youth.

Ecclesiastes 12:1

Rotational Sunday School Exploring God's World

The Lord's Prayer!

The last rotation for this Sunday School year was the Lord's Prayer. The memory verses come from Matt. 6:9-13. The children talked about and memorized the Lord's Prayer and learned about prayer in general. We sang the song "Where Do I Go?" and learned the Lord's Prayer in American Sign Language. We made place mats with the Lord's Prayer on them so that we can say it every day. We also learned to communicate with God through interpretive dance and movement. We made prayer bread too. Below are some prayer guides that we learned that may help you as you pray:

Adoration

Confession

Thanks-giving

Supplication (asking God to supply our needs)

Pray

Until

Something

Happens

Upward (praise God)

Inward (confess what you've done wrong)

Outward (pray for the needs of others)

Forward (pray for what will happen in the future)

Backward (thank God for what has happened in the past)

The 5 Finger Prayer:

hold your hands in prayer formation. The closest finger to you is your thumb. That reminds you to pray for those closest to you. Next is the pointer finger. Pray for those who point you in the right direction. Next is the tallest finger. Pray for those in leadership. The ring finger is the weakest finger. It reminds you to pray for those who are weak or sick. Then the pinkie finger. It is the smallest finger. It reminds you to pray for yourself.

A big thank you to the
Volunteers who help
with Sunday School
each week!!
Cindy Page, Tina Currie,
Coulter Page, Marcia Funcke,
Joyce McGivern, Marcy Page,
Terry & Diane VanWyk,
Michele Raim

***Please pray about
how you can help
in Sunday School
next year!! We
always need more
volunteers.***

The Rotation Model redesigns the classrooms into creative kid-pleasing workshops (stations) that teach Bible stories. Groups of students rotate to new stations each week for a 5 week "rotation" period. During that 5 week period *only one* Bible story is taught. Every rotation, every week is focused on learning that one Bible story.

The Stations:

Imagination Island:
Creative Art

BIBLE BROADWAY:
Drama

Movies on the Mount:
Video

**SCRIPTURE
SAFARI:**
Bible Exploration

POLAR P.C.:
Computers

**Mark your calendars
Sunday School
starts again on:
Sept. 10, 2006**

***The Sunday
School Kids will
show you the
Lord's Prayer in
Sign Language
on June 11 in
worship.***



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JOIN 200,000,000 PEOPLE WORLDWIDE!

GLOBAL DAY OF PRAYER



SUNDAY JUNE 4

GAME TIME 2:00 PM

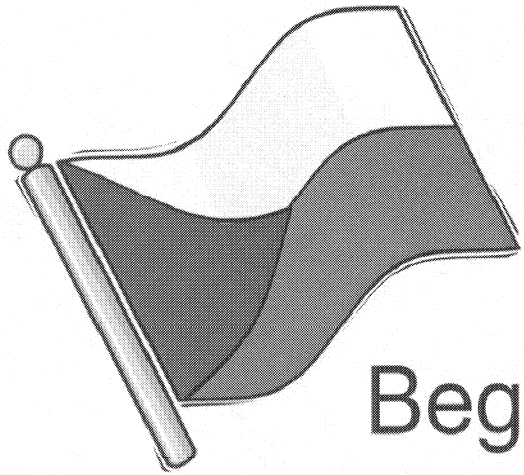
PRAYER TIME: 5:22 PM



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Ceská Škola 2006



Czech School

For children ages 6 - 14

Begins: Monday, June 12

Ends: Friday, July 14

Weekdays 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

At Wilson Middle School

Cost:

\$25 per child

\$5 for each additional child

in the same immediate family ★.

Register June 12, 7:30 a.m. at Wilson or

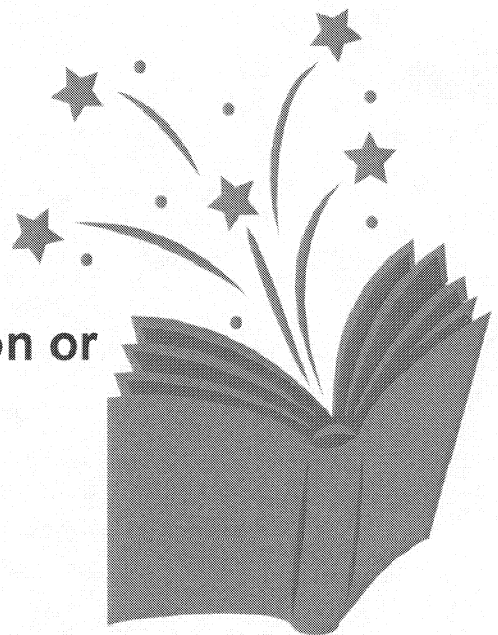
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April 21, 2006

To the Churches of the East Iowa and John Knox Presbytery,

Camp Wyoming is at an exciting place in its history. Over 45 years ago the camp opened the front gate to all who needed rest, reflection, and reconnection. The priority then is the same today: to provide a safe place where we can meet with nature and each other, and we can expand our relationship with Jesus Christ.

What will be the future of Camp Wyoming? The future holds new ways of experiencing the everlasting grace of God. This will be accomplished through construction, renovation, and expansion at Camp Wyoming.

How will these goals be accomplished? First, through construction. The largest need of Camp Wyoming is growing our facilities through a High Ropes Course and Climbing Tower, a Health Center, a rustic camp Bath House, and a Welcome Center/Office facility. The costs of new construction will be \$370,500 or 46% of the overall Capital Campaign.

In addition, renovation of current facilities and property will provide a safe and comfortable environment for both summer programming and year-round retreats. Projects include repairs to the Owl's Nest Retreat Center, the Deer Center, the swimming pool, the Retreat Lodges, and the Labyrinth. The costs of renovations will be \$199,500 or 25% of the Capital Campaign.

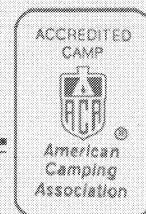
The third area of the campaign focuses on expansion of the Camp's Endowment and resources available to campers and guests. By building the Endowment Fund, the future becomes more secure for Camp Wyoming. Items include a maintenance truck, multi-purpose minivan, tools and equipment. Bridge loans and other contingencies have also been planned for. The cost of expansion is \$180,000 or 23% of the campaign goal.

Finally, in order for the campaign to be successful, a consultant, Timothy Coffey, from Coffey and Associates, Inc. is working closely with the Camp Wyoming Board of Directors and Campaign Team to insure a clear, realistic and well communicated campaign. Total campaign expenses will be \$50,000 or 6%.

Why do we need a Capital Campaign? Over the decades so many children, teens and adults have experienced the grace and love of God at Camp Wyoming. This capital campaign is about building the future of Camp Wyoming. As the Board of Directors, we are honored to participate in this process of prayer, faithfulness, commitment and action. We humbly ask for your prayerful support and faithful giving.

In Christ,

Rev. Julie Anderson Schuett
President, Board of Directors, Camp Wyoming
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Believing On Our Master

June 2006



Hi All,

What if God does not answer my prayer? If you are asking this question you should probably be asking; What if God does not answer my prayer the way that I want him to? God answers all prayers, but sometimes it is not in the way that we think He should. How many people do you think pray that they will win the lottery? If you have seen the movie "Bruce Almighty" you probably remember what happened when Bruce granted everyone's prayers just the way that they wanted -- chaos. So many people won the lottery that they each received less than \$20.

Is it in our best interest that God answer all of our prayers exactly how we want Him to? I do not think so. Think about when you ask your parents for something. Do you always get what you asked for? I highly doubt it. Why? Because your parents know what is best for you. It is the same with God. He knows what is best for you. In Job 30:20 Job is talking to his friends and says "I cry out to you, God, but you do not answer; I stand up but you just look at me." Job is looking for answers to his current situation and is not getting what he thinks he should. Later in Job 38 the Lord questions Job, "Then the Lord answered Job from the storm. He said, 'Who is this that makes my purpose unclear by saying things that are not true? Be strong like a man! I will ask you questions, and you must answer me. Where were you when I made the earth's foundation? Tell me, if you understand.'" God goes on asking Job many more questions. Finally in chapter 42 Job answers the Lord, "Then Job answered the Lord: 'I know that you can do all things and that no plan of yours can be ruined.'"

God hears more prayers every moment of every day than we could even begin to imagine:

Please God,

"... don't let my parents get divorced."

"... make the cancer go away."

"... make me rich."

"... I really want the new Playstation 3 when it gets into the stores."

"... don't make me go to Sunday school."

"... please make that cute girl like me."

"... please bring more people to our church."

Are some of these things wrong to ask for? No. I know that I have prayed for some of them. The thing that we each need to remember is that God answers our prayers in the way that He sees best for us. God also answers our prayers in His time, not ours.

This morning at the Marion High School Bible study a teacher came and sat in the room. She was early as she was a substitute and needed to prepare for the day. As with anyone that enters the room I prayed, "God, I do not know if this teacher knows who you are. It is my prayer this morning that if she does that the words that she hears would be a blessing to her. If she does not know you, please open her heart and mind to hear what is being said. In Jesus name I pray, Amen." I try to keep the prayer short and to the point for a couple of reasons. Many times the teachers and students that come in and out of the room do so rather quickly. The other reason is that I do not want to miss what is being said in the Bible study. When we had finished the teacher said that it was a blessing to hear what she heard this morning. WOW! Hearing that was a blessing to me.

I have also prayed for a couple of people in my life that have chosen to leave me out of their lives at this time. I used to pray that they would change their mind, that they would let me be a part of their lives. I do not pray this anymore. Why? God gave each of us freewill and no matter what God is currently telling them they have the freewill to listen or not to listen. I am still praying, but I am praying for what I know God can do. I am praying that God would soften their hearts to His word. I also pray that God would put someone in each of their lives that would help guide them back to God. Occasionally I see a little light at the end of the tunnel. I just keep reminding myself to leave it in God's hands. He will take care of it. Is it hard? You bet, but God is getting me through it.

Do not forget to pray. You may be thinking to yourself that God already knows what you are thinking and going through. He still wants to hear it from you. You tell your friends and family what is going on in your life, why not tell your Father God?



Believing On Our Master

June 2006



So how should you pray? In Matthew 6:9-13 Jesus teaches, "This, then, is how you should pray:

'Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.'"

Here is another way to pray called ACTS:

Adoration
Confession
Thanks-giving
Supplication (asking God for our needs and the needs of others)

Because of Him,

Terry

Upcoming Meetings

June:

- Join us on the 14th for movie night beginning at 5:15 PM. This would be a great night to invite some friends, just let us know how many are coming so we can make sure that we have enough to eat (please be sure to bring \$3 to help cover the cost of the meal). Are you part of another youth group? Have your youth leader get a hold of us; we would love to have you join us!
- On the 7th and the 28th we will worship and fellowship from 5:45 to 6:45 P.M.
- Confirmation meets for the final time on the 7th from 6:45 – 7:45 P.M.
- Confirmation Sunday is June 11th.

Events not scheduled yet will be announced as far in advance as possible so you can make plans to attend. The movie scheduled to be shown could change without warning due to availability.

Upcoming Concerts/Events

May

4 th	Prayer at the Ballpark. Kernel's game followed by prayer and worship in celebration of the Global Day of Prayer
10 th	Hus Racing League. Youth working in the kitchen from 10 AM - 3 PM. Fundraiser
11 th	Confirmation Sunday
18 th	Fathers' Day

Every Monday: Youth Prayer Time, 7 PM at the old SW Target parking lot.

Every Thursday: High School Bible Study (new time and place begin June 8th)

11 AM at Java Creek on the corner of Boyson Road NE and C Ave. NE.

Every Friday: Marion High School Bible Study (new time and place begin June 9th)

11 AM at Perkins on the Collins Road NE.

Times subject to change.

A conversation with God

Hi God. In case I have not told you lately, I love you with all my heart, soul, and mind. I know I have not told you that enough lately. I also know that I have done some things that are not pleasing to you. Please forgive for my sins. Thank you for Your grace. It is only by Your Grace that I can be saved from my sins. God I even thank you for the times of trouble that I have had because those times of trouble have made me stronger and have brought me closer to you. God I pray for that everyone would come into a closer relationship with you and that they would truly understand how much you love them. In Jesus' precious and holy name, Amen.

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